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# Flight delays ease at both airports

## FAA actions in spotlight as fallout from air traffic control incident grows

Chicago Tribune

Demands for answers and promises of technology breakthroughs bounced across Washington on Monday as the nation's air traffic control system continued its gradual recovery from the fire at an Aurora radar facility that has grounded thousands of flights since Friday.

And while experts commended the Federal Aviation Administration for launching an investigation into the apparent act of arson at the agency's Chicago Center facility, some also threw cold water on claims made Monday that a next-generation, satellite-based radar system could stifle another rogue attack.

"NextGen is new technology replacing old technology. If someone is determined to take out NextGen, they will be able to take out NextGen," said Sid McGuirk, associate professor of air traffic management at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Fla.

The debate about security and vulnerability at the nation's air traffic control facilities came amid ongoing efforts to repair the damage done at the Chicago station, which handles high-altitude air traffic in seven states.

The FAA's goal is to get Chicago Center fully functional by Oct. 13. The FAA did not release a damage estimate, but the first shipment of replacement equipment and cables were installed Monday, officials said.

In the meantime, controllers at facilities in four other states are picking up the slack.

They have received reinforcements. Some Chicago Center controllers were flown out to those facilities over the weekend to help at radar scopes and to share some of the tricks of moving planes in the highly congested Chicago-area airspace, officials from the controllers union said.

It appeared to help. By noon, more than 80 percent of the "average Monday traffic" was flying in and out of O'Hare Airport, the FAA reported. The rate hit 90 percent at Midway Airport, according to the federal agency.

The agency, which rarely discusses security, also disclosed Monday that additional guards have been assigned to the shuttered Aurora facility and other, unidentified facilities.

But the vulnerability of the airlines to a single broken link in the air-traffic control command chain had some public officials thinking about more aggressive, longer-term changes to the nation's air-traffic control system.

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin (D-Ill.) questioned whether contract employees at FAA facilities



Passengers wait in line to reschedule flights at O'Hare on Friday. GETTY IMAGES



### MAN CHARGED IN RADAR FACILITY FIRE TO REMAIN JAILED

The man charged with setting a fire at the Aurora radar facility that wreaked havoc on the nation's air traffic system was ordered detained Monday after his lawyer declined to fight for his release. Brian Howard, 36, of Naperville, faces one count of destruction of aircraft facilities, which carries a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison if convicted. **TRIBUNE**

should be allowed to work alone and unsupervised, as was the case with Brian Howard of Naperville, an eight-year Chicago Center contract employee who was arraigned Monday on federal charges in the Aurora incident.

Durbin and five other Democratic members of the Illinois delegation called on the inspector general of the U.S. Department of Transportation to investigate the FAA's procedures in emergencies, in order to prevent future incidents.

U.S. Sen. Mark Kirk (R-Ill.) said the FAA should have more of a fail-safe, "Department of Defense philosophy" in its daily operations.

"We ought to have alternatives at [FAA] headquarters to instantly transfer command and control in case we ever have a fire or a terrorist attack," Kirk said. "This is the beating heart of the U.S. economy right at O'Hare."

FAA Administrator Michael Huerta responded to the mounting criticism Monday, apologizing to the flying public and ordering a 30-day review of both facility security and the failure to swiftly transfer air-traffic control

functions to other facilities.

"If we need to make changes as a result of what happened ... we will not hesitate to do so," Huerta vowed in a speech at an air-traffic conference in Maryland.

He also spoke at length about the benefits of the NextGen navigation system, which he said would have been able to let controllers from neighboring states "reach into Chicago Center's airspace and take control of all of the radios used to control aircraft there."

But several aviation experts said it is not realistic to think the FAA could ever essentially flip a switch to compensate for the loss of a critical link, like Chicago Center, in the aviation system.

They cite factors such as the complexities of moving airplanes through distinct areas of congested airspace where customized rules and procedures mastered by local controllers are in effect, as well as the sheer task of processing and transmitting voluminous amounts of flight data to other FAA facilities, which already have a full workload, the experts said.

### ECONOMIC IMPACT

The impact of the sabotaged radar center will easily soar into tens of millions of dollars and perhaps hundreds of millions, experts say. Here's a look at the breakdown to affected passengers:

**3,700**

Number of flights that were canceled due to the fire at the facility<sup>1</sup>

**44,000**

Number of passengers effected by the flight cancellations<sup>1</sup>

**\$37.60/HOUR**

Cancellation cost to passengers<sup>2</sup>

**18**

Average number of hours a cancelled flight costs a person, compared to their original flight time<sup>3</sup>

**\$30M**

Total cost to passengers, assuming it cost them \$37.60 per hour for the 18 hours they were delayed

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# Behind the costs of CTA station rehab projects



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What can \$240 million buy? How about: Second baseman Robinson Cano for 10 years in a 2013 deal inked by the Seattle Mariners, which didn't make the playoffs this year though Cano was named Mariners player of the year.

Or: Hawaii's largest independent gasoline operator, sold earlier this month to a Houston-based petroleum company in an agreement that includes nearly 100 gas stations and 44 mini-marts.

For the CTA, \$240 million buys an expansion of the 95th Street Red Line terminal as part of a three-year project that includes a new building south of 95th Street with a bus staging area, an enclosed walkway over 95th Street to connect terminal buildings, wider bus lanes and additional escalators and elevators.

This fall, the CTA is embarking on two of the largest reconstruction projects in agency history at the 95th Street stop in the Roseland area and the Wilson stop in Uptown. The Wilson stop, a longtime eyesore, will become a transfer point for the Purple Line Express and accessible for riders with disabilities in a \$203 million, three-year undertaking expected to begin next month.

"These projects aren't just renovations, they are complete reconstructions of the old stations," CTA spokesman Brian Steele said. "They are brand-new structures being built on entirely new footprints."

And those structures come with hefty price tags. While completely new stations on the Green Line, at Cermak Road and Morgan Street, cost \$50 million and \$38 million, respectively, the 95th Street and Wilson reconstruction projects are more than four times that price.

Steele said it's not fair to compare the projects. The 95th Street project has expensive challenges including a

## Breaking down new station and station reconstruction projects

» **95TH STREET RED LINE STOP** Roseland  
**\$240 million**

Paid for with federal grants, state funds and CTA bonds  
**Features:** The station, expected to be done in 2017, will have buildings north and south of 95th Street, additional escalators and elevators and expanded platforms.

» **CERMAK-MCCORMICK PLACE GREEN LINE STOP** South Loop  
**\$50 million**

Paid for with tax-increment funds, taxpayer money intended to spur redevelopment in communities  
**Features:** The new station, expected to open later this year, will have elevators and covered canopies.

» **WASHINGTON/WABASH STOP** The Loop  
**\$75 million**

Paid for with federal funds  
**Features:** The new station, a combination of the Randolph/Wabash and Madison/Wabash stops, will have escalators, elevators and bike racks and is expected to open in 2016.

» **CALIFORNIA, DAMEN AND WESTERN BLUE LINE STOPS** The West Side  
**\$33 million**

Paid for with local, state and federal funds  
**Features:** Work being completed this year includes stationhouse and platform repairs. The Damen and California stations, which are not accessible for riders with disabilities, will not receive elevators or escalators in this project. The Western stop is already accessible.

» **CLARK/DIVISION RED LINE STOP** Old Town  
**\$50 million**

Paid for with federal funds  
**Features:** The project, which is expected to be completed next year, includes a new mezzanine at LaSalle and Division streets, two new elevators and three new escalators.

» **WILSON RED LINE STOP** Uptown  
**\$203 million**

Paid for with federal, state and TIF funds  
**Features:** The station, expected to be done in fall 2017, will have a main entrance and two auxiliary entrances, elevators and escalators, more security cameras and better lighting.

construction area in the middle of the Dan Ryan Expressway while the Wilson stop work involves century-old or older elevated infrastructure, Steele said.

Both stations will see a large increase in station square footage and remain open during the projects, which extends the cost and duration of the projects, Steele said.

Meanwhile, the Cermak and Morgan Green Line stops are infill stations, along pre-existing CTA lines. Those stations are not as large and serve a smaller ridership, Steele said. The Morgan stop, which opened in 2012, sees 2,350 entries on an average weekday while the Cermak stop is expected to open later this year.

On a typical weekday, the 95th Street stop sees about 20,000 commuters, which includes Red Line riders and users of the

19 CTA and Pace suburban buses and Greyhound and Indian Trails intercity buses.

The Wilson stop, which sees 5,720 entries each weekday, is expected to see its ridership rise when it becomes a transfer point for riders of the Purple Line Express, which currently operates nonstop during rush hour between the Belmont and Howard Red Line stops.

Steele said when construction is complete, the 95th and Wilson stations will be on par with the Fullerton, Belmont and Roosevelt Red Line stops, some of the most popular stops systemwide. The work also is expected to spur redevelopment in Roseland and Uptown, Steele said.

"They certainly have the potential to generate other economic investment in their respective communities," Steele said.



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## STATIONARY

A weekly dispatch from a CTA station of note

**This week:** Halsted Green Line  
 Though his Kickstarter campaign was unsuccessful, Chef Darryl Fuery of South Deering still plans on opening a casual restaurant this year in the concession space at this Englewood stop. Last month, Fuery launched a Kickstarter campaign for \$8,500 to help fund his restaurant, which he said is unique in Englewood because of its health food offerings and commitment to provide food service training for teens. He received \$890 among 35 backers in his online effort, which ended Sept. 17.

Fuery now has applied for a Mission Main Street grant, a program funded by Chase Bank that awards 20 small businesses grants of \$150,000. The program is based on votes from the public. Go to [missionmainstreetgrants.com](http://missionmainstreetgrants.com) to vote and for more information.

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# THE DANGERS OF BEING A CAB DRIVER

**CRIMES IN CHICAGO  
TAXIS AVERAGE  
ABOUT ONE PER DAY**

**By Leonor Vivanco** | REDEYE

Driving a taxi sits among the most dangerous occupations, according to federal statistics, and seems to consistently snag a spot on lists of most stressful jobs. Cab drivers work long hours while scanning the streets for potential passengers and dealing with road rage—and perhaps most importantly facing the possibility of getting attacked in their taxis.



“It’s not a good feeling to have a gun to your head,” said Santanu Bose, 41, a cab driver who lives in Rogers Park. He said he’s been robbed twice while working the night shift since becoming a licensed cab driver in 2000. “It did shake me up quite a lot for a few weeks.”

For the 12,000 licensed taxicab drivers in Chicago, safety is at the top of their minds. So far this year, nearly 300 crimes were reported in cabs, averaging about one crime a day. This year saw a slight increase in the number of reported crimes as well as a spike in serious crimes of batteries and robberies, the latter of which doubled compared with the same period last year. Four armed robberies prompted Chicago police to issue business alerts this summer. No homicides have been reported in taxicabs in 2014.

The combination of isolation, picking up strangers and carrying cash makes taxi drivers a target for criminals, crime experts said, particularly during the busy hours of 1 a.m., 2 a.m. and 3 a.m., when many crimes occurred in 2014 compared with other time periods, according to city crime data.

The early morning time slot was high risk because there are intoxicated passengers and fewer people on the street to witness the crimes or hear calls for help, said Arthur Lurigio, psychology and criminal justice professor at Loyola University Chicago.

A 2008 University of Illinois at Chicago survey found that 58.7 percent of Chicago cab drivers said they have been threatened, attacked and subjected to hostile racial comments. During physical attacks inside the cabs, guns were the weapons most used against drivers, followed by knives, according to survey results.

The survey also revealed that roughly half of the drivers who said they were attacked while driving reported the incident to police.

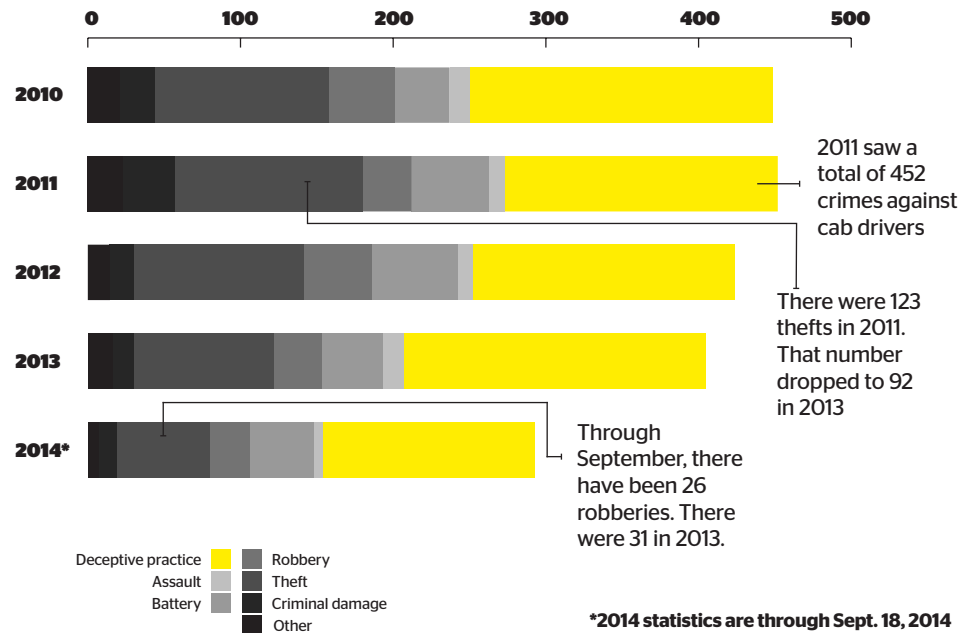
Lurigio speculated that some drivers may be reluctant to report incidents because they believe the police can do nothing or they think filing a report would take them out of circulation and cost them fares.

Syed Ali, instructor of Olive-Harvey College’s two-week chauffeur training program, encouraged drivers to report any incident—even if it’s calling 311 to report a non-emergency situation as they’re heading home. Ali says he covers personal safety during the

## CAB CRIMES OVER THE YEARS

The total number of crimes reported in taxicabs has fluctuated over the years since 2001, the earliest year data is available through the city’s data portal. Under state law, a battery charge can be upgraded to aggravated battery, a Class 3 felony, if the victim is a taxicab driver on duty, and it is punishable by two to five years in prison. Deceptive practice includes not paying cab fare.

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“Never ever resist. Don’t try to be a hero. It’s not worth it. You have only one life. You want to go home the way you came into work. Don’t go home in a body bag.”

—Syed Ali, instructor of Olive-Harvey College’s two-week chauffeur training program

program because it’s a big concern among cab drivers, who are perceived to be “walking ATM machines.”

Carrying cash is one of the factors that makes being a cab driver a high-risk job. Compared with other occupations, they face a higher likelihood of being slain on the job. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, which studied the effectiveness of taxicab security equipment, said the taxicab driver homicide rate was 7.4 per 100,000 workers in 2010, compared with the overall 0.37 per 100,000 workers. The same

study, published in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine last year, found that the installation of in-vehicle security cameras appears to be effective in reducing that number.

In Chicago, security devices—either a safety shield or security cameras—are required to be installed and inspected, said Mika Stambaugh, spokeswoman for the city’s Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection. The only exception is if the taxicab owner is the sole cab driver and the vehicle is not leased out to other drivers.

Other required equipment includes two-

## What can taxicab drivers do to stay safe?

- » Be aware of your surroundings and pay attention to the customer’s actions inside the cab.
- » Don’t chase after passengers who flee without paying.
- » Keep driver and front passenger doors locked.
- » Notify the taxi dispatcher of the location you pick up and drop off a fare.
- » Remember any physical characteristics like distinguishing marks, tattoos or facial hair to provide a description to police.

SOURCE: CHICAGO POLICE, ARTHUR LURIGIO, SYED ALI

way dispatch devices that allow drivers to be in communication with taxi dispatch companies at all times the cab is in operation, Stambaugh said. New taxicabs must install rear seat credit card machines, which can minimize the contact between cab drivers and passengers, she said.

“Credit card transactions for payment of taxicab fares decrease the amount [of] cash on a taxicab driver, making them less [of a] target for robbery,” Stambaugh said.

Uber, which allows passengers to order cabs or rideshare vehicles, touted its business practices in helping keep its drivers safe. For example, drivers can rate riders and don’t pick up random strangers through the app because users have to create profiles and provide valid credit cards to use the service.

“Every transaction is cashless, so drivers never have to worry about the risk or hassle of carrying cash or making change,” an Uber spokeswoman said in an email.

One recommendation by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration to reduce work-related violence was to promote the use of credit card payments and limit the amount of cash in the taxi, which can discourage robberies.

However, if a robber demands cash or cellphones from the driver, Ali said to follow the instructions and stay calm, cool and collected.

“Never ever resist. Don’t try to be a hero. It’s not worth it,” Ali said. “You have only one life. You want to go home the way you came into work. Don’t go home in a body bag.”

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## CAB DRIVERS ON ALERT

The threat of violence was apparent in the month of July, when Chicago police issued two alerts of robberies of cab drivers:

» A cab driver called police at 2:30 a.m. on July 2 to report he was held up at gunpoint and robbed of his Galaxy S3 cellphone and \$35 by a passenger he took to Bronzeville.

» Around the same time July 12, a cab driver reported that he was punched in the forehead in Wicker Park after he told a passenger who hopped in his taxi that he was heading home and could not give him a ride to Lake Street and Kedzie Avenue.

» The next night at 3 a.m., a 56-year-old man was arrested for allegedly threatening to stab a cab driver with a pocket knife during his ride in Uptown.

» A week later in Lincoln Park, two women refused to pay a \$25 cab fare at 2 a.m. and bolted from the cab without paying.



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## Family remembers boy, 13, shot near playlot

### Chicago Tribune

In his South Side neighborhood, 13-year-old Demureye Macon was known as a jokester who loved to dance and rap and hang out at the tiny playground four blocks from his house.

The teen was at that playlot Sunday night when someone opened fire, fatally shooting the boy, his family and friends said. And though the teen tried to run, he was struck in his torso and fell to the ground just steps away from the playground in Montgomery Park, at the corner of West 66th



Demureye Macon

Street and South Talman Avenue, said his mother, Tawana Macon.

"Why? Why would they do this? It's senseless," said Macon, 29, on Monday morning. "Quit doing this to these kids. They're babies."

"Every time I see somebody's child hurt, I pray for them. I never thought I'd be praying for myself."

The shooting occurred around 8:35 p.m. in Marquette Park, police said. When authorities arrived, the boy was found lying on a sidewalk. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

The shooting was under investigation, and no one was in custody, police said.

On Monday, a trickle of teenagers visited the spot where Demureye was slain. They held each other and wiped away each other's tears.

Demureye—who was known by his friends as "Traydoo"—was a 7th grader at Fairfield Elementary Academy and was the oldest of four siblings, his mother said. His modest home was a place where he and his friends would



Tawana Macon talks Monday about her son, Demureye, who was killed in the 6600 block of South Talman Avenue on Sunday. PHIL VELASQUEZ/TRIBUNE

gather to hang out daily. When they weren't there, the friends would retreat to the park, which they considered a safe zone, said Lavarie Thigpen, 16, a close friend.

"He was just a cool person you could be around," Lavarie said. "He was somebody you could get along with."

According to his friends and family, Demureye left the park to walk a girl to the bus stop, along with another teenager. He was

returning when a group came out of the alley and asked if he was affiliated with a gang. The boy and his friend tried to run, but Demureye didn't get away fast enough.

Police also said Demureye had no known gang affiliations.

News of the boy's death hit his relatives hard. On Monday afternoon, they marched the four blocks from their house to the spot where the boy was slain, carrying balloons,

teddy bears, candles and posters that read "We Love You," and "Gone Too Soon."

At the memorial site, Macon stood silently as she watched her relatives clear a spot to place their items. She noticed blood stains on the pavement and collapsed.

"I want my baby back," she cried as a cousin tried to console her. "Give him back to me. I'll take a minute. I just want him back. I love him."

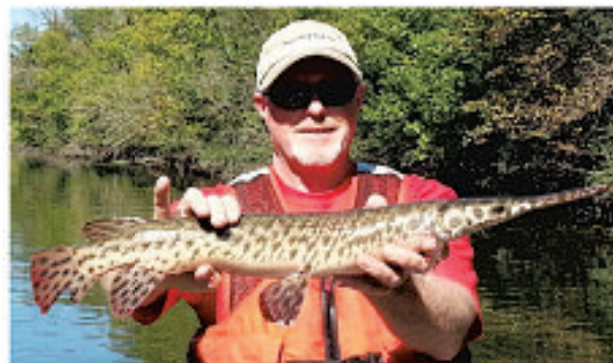


### QUOTABLE

It's a cool fish. It's underappreciated."

—Solomon David, an expert on primitive fishes at the Shedd Aquarium, talking about the spotted gar, an ancient fish that has never before been seen in Chicago waterways until last week, when state fish biologists found in the North Shore Channel in Lincolnwood.

Frank Jakubicek (right), a fisheries biologist with Illinois Department of Natural Resources, holds a spotted gar found in the North Shore Channel.



### EXPRESS LINES

- Chicago has the 7th highest average out-of-network ATM fees of the cities surveyed by [bankrate.com](http://bankrate.com), at \$4.59. That's higher than the nationwide average of \$4.35.
- Oak Park and Evanston will be getting some Divvy bike rental stations thanks to a \$3 million state grant.
- The Chicago Police Department is warning Kenwood residents about an uptick in armed robberies this month after at least four instances of men holding people up at gunpoint on the streets. **REDEYE, TRIBUNE**



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# Intruder made it farther inside White House: report

The man who breached security at the White House this month overpowered a U.S. Secret Service officer and ran through much of the main floor, penetrating farther into the building than previously disclosed, the Washington Post reported Monday, citing three people familiar with the incident.

A Secret Service official who spoke on condition of anonymity said an alarm box near the front entrance of the White House had been muted, the Post said.

"The Secret Service has no comment on that at this time due to the ongoing investigation," Brian Leary, a spokesman for the agency, said of the Post story. A White House spokesman declined comment.

Omar Gonzalez, 42, was charged with unlawfully entering a restricted building or grounds while carrying a deadly or dangerous weapon. Officials said he was carrying a knife when he jumped the White House fence and

## SECRET SERVICE UNDER SCRUTINY

Secret Service Director Julia Pierson is expected to face blistering questions from lawmakers Tuesday about the latest White House security breach and a string of scandals that have tarnished the image of the agency. Republicans and Democrats alike said they want Pierson to explain how she plans to change the agency's culture and procedures.

entered the executive mansion Sept. 19.

The Post said Gonzalez ran past a guard immediately inside the door, past the stairway leading up to the Obama family's living quarters and into the East Room, where he was tackled at the far end of the room by an agent.

The alarm box near the entrance, designed to alert guards to an intruder, had been muted at what officers believe was the request of the usher's office, the Post said, citing the Secret Service official.



A vehicle drives through a crowd of protesters blocking the main street to the financial Central district outside Hong Kong government headquarters on Monday. After days of pro-democracy protest, the Communist government in Beijing made clear it would not tolerate dissent and warned against any foreign interference. **REUTERS**

## Jewel-Osco hit by another data breach

Jewel-Osco stores in Illinois, Indiana and Iowa were among several supermarkets affected by another recent card fraud incident, the chain's parent company said Monday. The company said it was told that the latest attack involved different malware than in an earlier incident it announced Aug. 14.

## James Foley photo to be removed from anti-Islam ads

A photo of American journalist James Foley shortly before his beheading by the Islamic State militant group is being removed from anti-Islam advertisements appearing on Monday on 100 New York City buses and two subway stations.

## Supreme Court meets to discuss gay marriage bans

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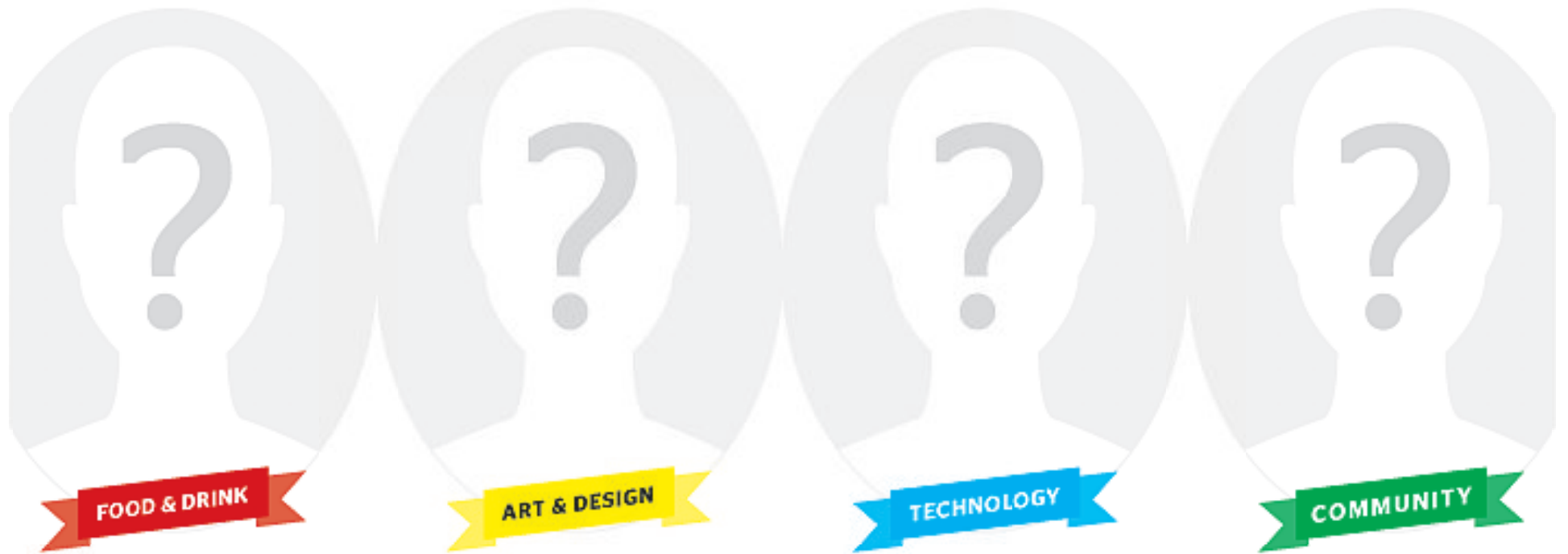
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**By Sean Ely | REDEYE**

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On Oct. 8, semifinalists will be announced

and voting will then be open to the public. On Oct. 15, voting concludes and RedEye's video team will begin filming videos of the finalists, up to four in each category. On Nov. 3, finalists officially will be announced.

And finally, on Nov. 14, RedEye will host "The Big Idea Awards" event, where winners will be crowned—via live, in-person voting—in each of the four categories in front of family, friends and event attendees.

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**Allison Victoria**, host of HGTV's DIY's "Kitchen Crashers."



### TECHNOLOGY

**Mike McGee**, co-founder of The Starter League (formerly known as Code Academy), a Chicago-based company that teaches beginners how to build Web apps.



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Jimmy Butler (left)  
poses with Bulls  
intern Sherdell Mallett.



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Thibodeau

# EVERYONE SAY, 'HOOPS!'

## How to survive the madness at Bulls media day

By Chris Sosa | REDEYE

Before the Bulls could get to business shooting, passing, defending and doing all the other things they need to practice before the season begins, they had one huge hurdle Monday: media day. It may seem like glorified standing around, but that would be missing the nuance of a storied tradition. (Yes, we wanted that to sound over the top.) Most people, the media included, are glad it's over because it means the season is that much closer. And if you're planning on surviving Bulls media day in the future, you'll need the following.

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### 1 Dump button

Derrick Rose dropped one S-word during his 20-minute news conference, though he apologized. You'll forgive him if he's not in interview shape after missing most of the past two years.

### 2 Serious face

You don't just get your picture taken if you're a Bulls player or coach. Oh no. You have to put your arms out to show your wingspan, pretend like you're passing, cross your arms, dribble very slowly—all without smiling. So much for sports being fun.

### 3 Beard trimmer

This one's mostly for Pau Gasol, Taj Gibson and Nikola Mirotic, who were rocking the most dynamic facial hair Monday. And make no mistake, Mirotic's scruff is straight out of the Stanley Cup playoffs.



Pau Gasol during  
his photo shoot

### Sunglasses

Not that anyone was using them inside the Bulls' brand-new practice facility, but RedEye counted no fewer than six spots for photo shoots and TV interviews. That's a lot of bright lights.

### 4 Go-to phrase

For coach Tom Thibodeau, it's just two words. How will the East change with all the new-look teams? "We'll see." How much will Derrick Rose play in the preseason? "We'll see." Will LeBron James ever get his hair back? Had he been asked that last question, there's little doubt he would have said, you guessed it, "We'll see."

### QUESTION OF THE DAY

It took slightly different forms, but it boils down to: How is Derrick Rose feeling?

**Gar Forman, general manager:** "You could see his reactivity, his explosiveness [during the FIBA World Cup]. I call them the old Derrick Rose moves."

**Tom Thibodeau, coach:** "He handled the physical part [of the World Cup] well. The shooting's still not there, but that will come."

**Derrick Rose:** "The only way to answer the critics is to be on the court and actually be playing."

### ONE-LINER OF THE DAY

That honor goes to Joakim Noah, when addressing Pau Gasol's decision to leave the L.A. Lakers and come to Chicago as a free agent.

“ I thought we had no shot [to get Gasol]. But you know what, he picked the cold. We can laugh about it, but he made a decision based on winning, and I respect that.”



# LION UP

Detroit's having a moment, people. Chicago hopes it doesn't last too long.



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1	The Detroit Lions lead the NFC North. What the hell?!	Great. More good things happening to Detroit.	Let them have it. They still have to live in Detroit.	Speaking of hell, did it just freeze over?	Detroit needs some cheer once in a while. Let's revisit the standings in December.	If I had told you this would happen, you woulda sworn I was lion.
2	How did you get over the Bears' latest loss to the Packers?	Purchased stock in the Packers and tried to fire Aaron Rodgers.	Grated some extra cheese onto my Cutler Turnovers. They're delicious.	F-bombs and Jager bombs.	Watched "American Gangster" for context: "Success comes with enemies." We'll be fine.	I can get past anything if I pretend it's Chris Conte.
3	Matt Forte has 10K yards from scrimmage in his career. What does he do for an encore?	"Freebird."	Does double duty and starts also playing QB. We need it.	Runs half of Sunday's total, but actually scores a TD.	Maybe Matt 4-Tay goes Bigga Than Da Game and tries his hand at 4bar Friday.	Go for the gold, 14K.
4	Convince Bears fans to relax now that the team is 2-2.	With one-time NFL championship-winning quarterback Jay Cutler under center, everything will be fine.	RELAX! We're the only Chicago team not below .500!	Get into Cubs fans' line of thinking so if they lose more, well, then there's always "next year."	That's No. 15's job. Hey, B-Marsh, nice suit but fans need to hear from you win, lose or draw.	Hey, Bears fans, Rex Grossman is NOT our quarterback. Feel better?
5	St. Louis Cardinals fans are to corny music videos as ...	... Cubs fans are to beery music videos.	... Matthew McConaughey is to corny car commercials.	... these recent mosquitoes and bees are to pesky and annoying.	... the Show-Me State is to jean shorts and cheap beer—two things I can't stomach.	... Nelly is to Cheerios commercials. #WTF

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Tony Stewart, taking questions from reporters for the first time in the seven weeks since the tragic death of Kevin Ward Jr., said Monday that he will continue his racing career. However, the three-time NASCAR Cup champion said he doesn't see himself getting behind the wheel of a sprint car again.

"I've had drivers that I've raced with every week and drivers that I haven't raced with for months that have said, 'Don't let this keep you from doing what you love,'" Stewart said. "This is what I've done all my life. This is what I've done for 36 years. I wouldn't change anything about it."

"I love what I do. I love driving race cars. I think it might change, right now, as far as how much of it and what I do. There was never a thought in my head about stopping. That would take the life out of me."



Tony Stewart speaks during a press conference on Monday.  
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Kyle Orton  
USA TODAY SPORTS



### Hey, isn't that ...

Kyle Orton is back, Bears fans. No, not with Marc Trestman's team. The former Bears QB will start for Buffalo this weekend after starter EJ Manuel failed to impress (even after winning in Chicago in Week 1). As for the neck beard—because we know you're wondering—lately Orton appears to be favoring a less grizzled look. And FYI, Orton last started Dec. 29 for Dallas, a 24-22 loss.



### Cue the matching outfits

Synchronized skating, a figure skating discipline, and a mass

start speed skating event could be on the program for the 2018 Winter Olympics. International Skating Union President **Ottavio Cinquanta** told the Tribune on Monday that his federation has formally asked the International Olympic Committee to consider adding both. Which begs the question, will Johnny Weir and Tara Lipinski have the call?

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TODAY IN THE YEAR ...

1927: Babe Ruth hit his 60th home run of the season, establishing a record that would stand for 34 years.  
1955: Actor James Dean, 24, was killed in a two-car collision near Cholame, Calif.  
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## CROSSOVER CRAZE

**'Family Guy' met 'The Simpsons.' What's next?**



**By Mick Swasko | REDEYE**

Peter Griffin and Homer Simpson quickly became friends Sunday night, and just as swiftly proceeded to beat the living hell out of each other.

The much-anticipated "Family Guy" and "Simpsons" crossover episode wasn't earth-shattering, and was hardly the best episode of either long-running series, but it was enough to keep fans of either show entertained for about an hour. There's just something refreshing about seeing beloved TV characters interact, and honestly, it doesn't happen nearly enough.

Heck, ratings-baiting shark-jumping be damned, there's plenty of shows we'd like to see blissfully unite. Hey! TV executives! We know we don't have much pull, but we think these ideas need to happen.

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### SCANDAL/REVENGE

Just imagine Olivia Pope doing damage control for the Graysons. They'd probably have hatched their super-vague evil plan already.



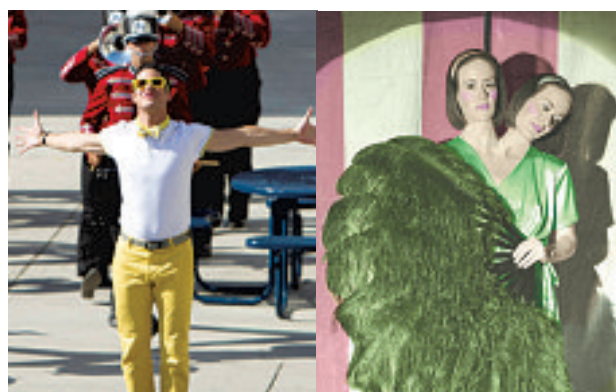
### HOUSE OF CARDS/ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK

Please, PLEASE give us just one episode of Claire Underwood serving a brief stint in the clink with Piper, Red, Crazy Eyes and the rest of the crew. She'd be running the kitchen in a week.



### GAME OF THRONES/ONCE UPON A TIME

Talk about jumping the shark. The cast of fairy-tale characters on "Once" is even getting ready to welcome "Frozen" princesses to the tale. It's about time things got shaken up, and watching Westeros lay waste to Storybrooke and adding some explicit sex scenes to boot would do just that.



### GLEE/AMERICAN HORROR STORY

We would pay-per-view this. Just when the kids break out into some Taylor Swift song, the lights go down for an obscenely disturbing dance scene involving a lady with two heads before a bondage suit-wearing dude interrupts. Have fun singing your little song now!



### MAD MEN/THE WALKING DEAD

Yes, they are set in different time periods. But come on, they are on the same network. Don't say you wouldn't watch a crossover that had Don Draper showing up bloodsoaked to a pitch meeting for Campbell's Soup after slaying a hoard of zombies outside the office.



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# MODEL BEHAVIOR

## Oh no, they di-ent

Wal-Mart's taking aim at Tracy Morgan. The superstore chain responded Monday to a negligence lawsuit the "30 Rock" star filed in July after a Wal-Mart truck crashed into his tour bus in June, killing comedian James McNair and seriously injuring Morgan and others. Morgan, Wal-Mart claims, is responsible "in whole or in part" for his own injuries for "failure to properly wear an appropriate available seatbelt restraint device," **eonline.com** reports.



## Excuses, excuses

Cindy Crawford and Bono made the trip, so why were George Clooney's longtime pals/pranking partners/fellow beautiful men **Brad Pitt** (right) and **Ben Affleck** no-shows at the star's Venice wedding to Amal Alamuddin over the weekend? Apparently they had to work. **Eonline.com** reports Pitt and wife Angelina Jolie and Affleck and wife Jennifer Garner were busy filming movies and promoting a movie ("Gone Girl"), respectively. "You know, some of us have to work," Affleck told E! News. "But yes, I congratulate him. It's very exciting." OK, sorry, Ben and Brad, but if we can cough up the dough to pay for our college roommate's bachelorette party in Vegas AND her wedding, you two can figure out a way to get to your bro's big day.

## HOT DATES

# NOV. 11-12

That's when NBC's "Chicago Fire," "Chicago P.D." and "Law & Order: SVU" will cross paths in a three-part storyline about a child pornography ring that stretches from Chicago to New York.

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The streets of Chicago will soon be **Naomi Campbell's** runways. The model and actress has booked a recurring role in Fox's "Empire," which films in the city. Campbell will play Camilla, "an alluring woman involved in a steamy affair" with a younger man who happens to be the son of Lucious Lyon, played by series star Terrence Howard according to a press release. So, she's playing a cougar—who is dating a Lyon.



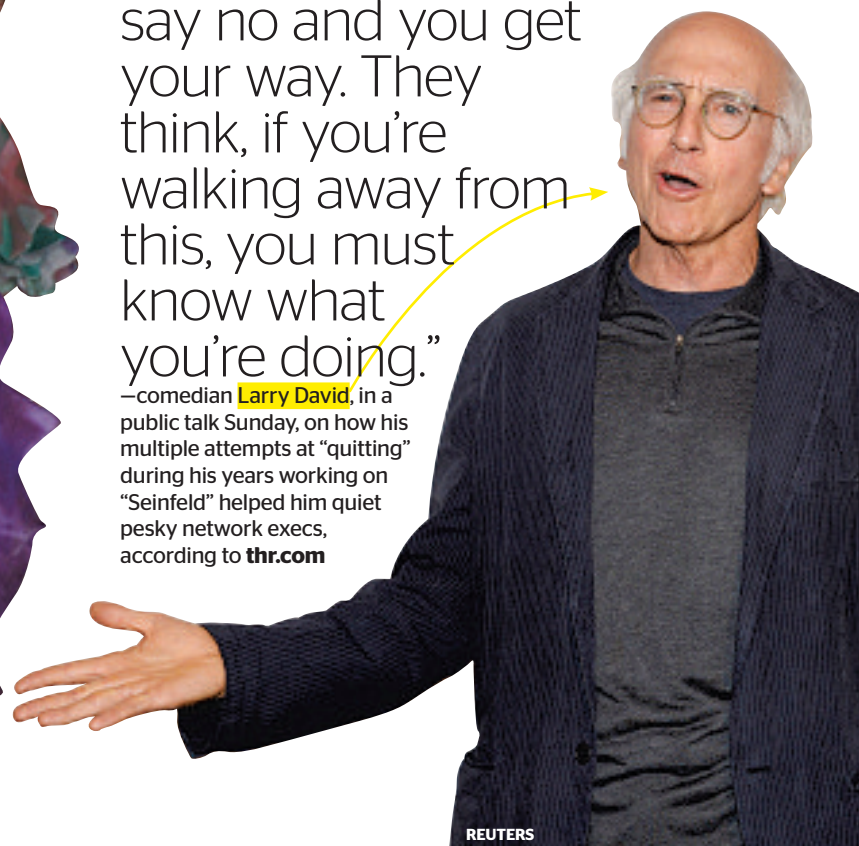
## She may no longer be 'the man'

Just when we thought **Amanda Bynes** was turning her life around—living with her parents, getting her driver's license back, not throwing bongos out any windows for at least a few months—she goes and lets us down. The troubled actress was arrested early Sunday morning for DUI outside Los Angeles, People reports. Bynes was held on a \$15,000 bail and released later on Sunday.

## THE QUOTE

"The lesson there, of course, is just say no. Just say no and you get your way. They think, if you're walking away from this, you must know what you're doing."

—comedian **Larry David**, in a public talk Sunday, on how his multiple attempts at "quitting" during his years working on "Seinfeld" helped him quiet pesky network execs, according to **thr.com**



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